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To: All Providers and Vendors

RE: Request for Inclusion of Secondary Identifier on Submitted Transactions

Effective with the implementation of Medicaid's new claims processing system on February 25, 2008, the National Provider Identifier (NPI) number must be submitted as the primary identifier for all providers on all submitted transactions to Alabama Medicaid.

To facilitate timely processing of all claims, providers were encouraged to set up one-to-one relationships between their Alabama Medicaid Provider Number and their National Provider Identifier (NPI) number to assist with the correct identification of a Provider service location.

We are requesting the submission of additional secondary identifiers to further assist Alabama Medicaid with the identification of a specific service location. These secondary identifiers in most cases are not required, but suggested.

Primary Identification:

- National Provider ID

Secondary Identification:

- Alabama Medicaid Provider Number
- Provider Taxonomy Code
- The entire 9 digit postal zip code, excluding punctuation marks such as the dash.*
- State License Number (Attending/Operating)

*Note: Provider Electronic Solutions users may use the Zip + 4 as the secondary identifier.

Providers with questions should contact 800-688-7989. Vendor questions should be directed to 800-456-1242.